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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MORI et al.

Attorney Docket No: 100725-00068

Application No. 10/038,661

Art Unit: 3726

Filed: January 8, 2002

Examiner: E. Compton

For: SINTERED OIL RETAINING BEARING AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE
SAME AND SPINDLE MOTOR FOR INFORMATION EQUIPMENT

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 5, 2004

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 3, 2003, the period for response being extended to April 5, 2004 (April 3, 2004 being a Saturday) by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

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